Sarkaria Commission

1229. SHRI SYED AHMED HASHMI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the expenditure incurred on the Sarkaria Commission so far;

(b) the strength of the staff of the Sarkaria Commission; and

(c) by when the Commission is likely to submit its report?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STATES (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) The expenditure incurred on the Commission on Centre-State Relations upto 30-9-1985 comes to Rs. 64.91 lakhs.

(b) The strength of staff of the Commission as on 21-11-1985 is 114.

(c) The Commission is likely to submit its report within its extended term i.e. upto 30-6-1986.

Financial assistance to persons affected by November, 1984 riots

1230. SHRI SYED AHMED HASHMI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of cases for the grant of financial assistance received by Government during the last one year for those affected due to November, 1984 riots after the assassination of Smt. Indira Gandhi;

(b) how many of those have been settled month-wise so far; and

(c) what problems are being encountered in disposing of the unsettled cases?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STATES (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) to (c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Terms of reference of the Ranganath Mishra Commission

1231. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:
SHRI L. GANESAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) when Government appointed the Justice Ranganath Mishra Commission to look into events which occured in Delhi and other places following the assassination of former Prime Minister Srimati Indira Gandhi;

(b) what were the terms of reference of the Commission;

(c) when the Commission was expected to submit its report;

(d) whether the life of the Commission was expected if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) by when the Commission is expected to submit its report?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL SECURITY (SHRI ARUN NEHRU): (a) to (e) Justice Ranganath Mishra Commission was appointed on 26th April, 1985 and was initially expected to submit its report within six months i.e. by 25th October, 1985. The life of the Commission was subsequently extended by a further period of six months and now the report is expected to be submitted by 25th April, 1986. The life of the Commission was extended partly because the jurisdiction of the Commission was extended over disturbances at Bokaro, Chas Tehsil and Kanpur in addition to Delhi. The terms of references of the Commission as at present, are as follows:

(i) to inquire into the allegations in regard to incidents of organised violence which took place in Delhi and into the disturbances which took place in the Bokaro Tehsil, in the Chas Tehsil and at Kanpur following assassination of the late Prime Minister, Smt. Indira Gandhi;

(ii) to recommend measures which may be adopted for preventing recurrence of such incidents and disturbances.